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## Classroom Activities

### Core version

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**Island dispute in South China Sea (Page 1)****Instructions:** Read the article 'Island dispute in South China Sea'.

Answer questions 1-15.

1. Who is the prime minister of Vietnam?

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2. What order did the prime minister issue on 14th June?

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3. What is a nautical mile?

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4. What is an archipelago?

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5. What are the disputed territories called, and who claims them?

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6. Why do you think the islands are disputed?

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7. What was the 'freedom of the sea'?

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8. What is UNCLOS and what is an EEZ?

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**Island dispute in South China Sea (Page 1)** *continued*

9. What is the nine-dash map?

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10. How does China justify its ownership of nearly all of the uninhabited islands and reefs in the South China Sea?

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11. What is the capital of Vietnam?

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12. List some factors that have recently raised tensions in the South China Sea?

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13. Why do you think the Philippines has started calling the South China Sea the West Philippine Sea?

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14. What are bilateral talks?

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15. Why do you think that the countries that claim ownership of some of the islands are against bilateral talks with China?

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**Election in Turkey (Page 3)****Instructions:** Read the article 'Election in Turkey'.

Tick either true or false for the following statements.

	TRUE	FALSE
1. Turkey has a presidential system of government.		
2. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan has won three elections in a row.		
3. Elections in Turkey take place every five years.		
4. Turkey's parliament is called the Grand National Congress of Turkey.		
5. Abdullah Gül is the president of Turkey.		
6. The CHP is the main opposition party in Turkey.		
7. Istanbul is the largest city in Turkey.		
8. Turkey has been a secular state for 200 years.		
9. Turkey is a member of the European Union (EU).		
10. Turkey is planning to join NATO.		

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**New president in Peru (Page 16)**

**Instructions:** Read the article 'New president in Peru' and fill in the spider diagram below with the details.

**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION –  
FIRST ROUND**

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**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION –  
SECOND ROUND**

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**RIGHT-WING BELIEFS**

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**LEFT-WING BELIEFS**

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**Syrian army attacks northern town (Page 8)****Instructions:** Read the article 'Syrian army attacks northern town'.

The answers to the questions are given for 1-8. Write the questions.

1. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Jisr ash-Shugur.

2. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Crossed the border into Turkey.

3. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Deraa.

4. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Damascus.

5. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Bashar al-Assad.

6. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. For 40 years.

7. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan.

8. Q. \_\_\_\_\_

A. Democratic elections.

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**President of Yemen forced to leave (Page 7)**

**Instructions:** Read the article 'President of Yemen forced to leave'.  
Draw a line to connect the correct links. The first is done for you.

Capital of Yemen	Hosni Mubarak
Entrance to Red Sea	Ali Abdullah Saleh
Sanaa	Sanaa
Hospital facilities	Abed Rabbu Mansour Hadi
President of Yemen	Suez Canal
President of Yemen's deputy	Presidential palace
Important sea route	Saudi Arabia
Former Egyptian President	Strategic importance

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**E. coli articles (Page 5 and Page 6)**

**Instructions:** Read the article 'E. coli – good and bad' **and** 'Food poisoning blamed on bean sprouts'. Answer questions 1-6.

1. What is *E. coli*?

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2. How can certain strains of *E. coli* be helpful to humans?

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3. *E. coli* can be found in the gut of mammals. What is the gut?

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4. Explain why the *E. coli* 0104 strain is so dangerous.

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5. To where have German officials traced the *E. coli* 0104 strain? How did they come to this conclusion?

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6. Explain how the food poisoning outbreak has affected farmers in Europe.

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**World Map (Page 12)**

**Instructions:** Solve these anagrams. Each answer is a country that appears on the World Map. Each anagram has one extra letter. Together the extra letters form another anagram. The answer is a mystery country. One is already done for you.

1. RAYISA

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2. MISTAVEN

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3. OXYUMBRELUG

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4. TANGERINAI

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5. YEAKURT

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6. AMEENY

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7. USATRIAL

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8. GNABLSHAMED

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**Mystery country =**

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**Issue 147 Elimination**

**Instructions:** Read issue 147. Now eliminate from the list 13 pairs of words or phrases that go together. You will have one word or phrase left over. That is the answer. One pair is already done for you.

Roundworm

Antarctica

Iraq

United Nations

Evo Morales

Ollanta Humala

Bean sprouts

World Oceans Day

Dragon Boat

Peru

Sea salt

Red List

Font

OPEC

Great Indian Bustard

Neolithic

Ban Ki-moon

Vienna

E. coli 0104

Double-fifth

Emperor penguins

Typeface

Mesopotamia

Bolivia

Late Stone Age

Nematode

Aquarius/SAC-D

**Odd one out =** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Issue 147 multiple choice quiz****Instructions:** Read issue 147 and circle the correct answers for questions 1-10.

1. **Who has been elected president of Peru?**
  - a. Keiko Fujimori
  - b. Hugo Chávez
  - c. Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva
  - d. Alan Garcia
  - e. Ollanta Humala
2. **Which of the following countries is not a member of OPEC?**
  - a. Iran
  - b. Nigeria
  - c. Venezuela
  - d. India
  - e. Saudi Arabia
3. **Where was Mesopotamia?**
  - a. North Africa
  - b. Modern-day Iraq
  - c. South China Sea
  - d. Modern-day Brazil
  - e. Central Asia
4. **Of which country has Recep Tayyip Erdoğan been re-elected prime minister?**
  - a. Greece
  - b. Bulgaria
  - c. Iraq
  - d. Turkey
  - e. Armenia
5. **Who or what is Mephistopheles?**
  - a. Ancient Mayan city
  - b. Legendary devil-like creature
  - c. Roman deity
  - d. Jackal-like Egyptian god
  - e. Mythical sunken city
6. **Where are the Spratly Islands?**
  - a. Baltic Sea
  - b. South China Sea
  - c. Antarctica
  - d. South Atlantic Ocean
  - e. Mediterranean Sea
7. **By what name is the Dumpling Festival also known?**
  - a. Ching Ming Festival
  - b. Cold Food Festival
  - c. Diwali
  - d. Dragon Boat Festival
  - e. Vasant Panchami
8. **Of which country is Damascus the capital city?**
  - a. Syria
  - b. Jordan
  - c. Lebanon
  - d. Saudi Arabia
  - e. Yemen
9. **Which 'Age' came before the Iron Age?**
  - a. Ice Age
  - b. Bronze Age
  - c. Age of Reason
  - d. Stone Age
  - e. Age of Aquarius
10. **What percentage of the world is covered by the oceans?**
  - a. 55%
  - b. 60%
  - c. 65%
  - d. 70%
  - e. 75%